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MEMORANDUM FOR OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL, GC-1

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SUBJECT: Annual National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Planning Summary

This annual NEPA planning summary is submitted by Southwestern Power Administration (Southwestern) as required by DOE Order 451.1B, National Environmental Policy Act Compliance Program, Section 5.a (7).

As required by DOE Order 451.1B, Section 4.d, the following information is submitted:

1. Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities: Southwestern remains in compliance with its NEPA responsibilities.
2. Any Environmental Assessment (EA) Expected to be Prepared in the Next 12 Months: Southwestern has one ongoing EA as described in the following table.

Title/Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated NEPA Milestones	Description
EA for Herbicide Application within Transmission Line Rights-of-ways and the White Oak Radio Station in the Ozark National Forest, Pope and Searcy Counties, Arkansas	\$49,621	Determination Date: 05/28/2008 Transmittal to State: 02/01/2009 EA Approval: 04/01/2009 FONSI: 05/01/2009	Southwestern proposes to amend Special Use Permits to allow limited use of herbicides to aid in the maintenance of utility corridors and a radio station across portions of the Ozark National Forest.

3. Any Environmental Impact Statements Expected to be Prepared in the next 24 Months: Southwestern does not expect to prepare environmental impact statements during the next 24 months.
4. The Planned Cost and Schedule for Completion of each NEPA Review Identified: Because no preparation of an environmental impact statement is expected, Southwestern perceives only the costs identified with its one ongoing EA.

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